



## ARKANSAS STATE POSTGAME NOTES

Arkansas State at Georgia Southern | Sept. 29, 2018 (Allen E. Paulson Stadium)

### TEAM

- Arkansas State's team captains were senior **Marvis Brown**, junior Omar Bayless and sophomores **Tahjea Chambers**, **Jonathan Adams** and **Jerry Jacobs**.
- Head certified athletics trainer **Ron Carroll** worked his 500th all-time & consecutive A-State football game.

### OFFENSE

- Making his first career start at A-State, soph. WR **Jonathan Adams** recorded four receptions for 74 yards – both career highs. He had a career-long 32-yard reception in the third quarter that set up A-State's first touchdown of the game.
- Senior QB **Justice Hansen** moved past Cleo Lemon to become A-State's second all-time leader in career passing yards. Lemon accumulated 7,706 yards from 1997-2000 . . . Hansen became the second player in A-State history to record over 600 pass completions in a career. Ryan Aplin holds the school record with 906 to his credit . . . Hansen passed for over 200 yards in a game for the 21st time of his career and for over 300 for the 11th time . . . Hansen moved into a tie with Ryan Aplin for the most career touchdown passes (67) in school history. He has posted at least one TD pass in 21 of the last 22 games . . . He had 37 completions that tied the second most in school history . . . Hansen recorded his second rushing TD of the season, giving him 10 for his career . . . Hansen recorded 416 yards total offense that eighth most in school history, while also marking the sixth time of his career he posted over 400 in a game.
- Junior WR **Kirk Merritt** set new career highs for both receptions (11) and yards (92). His 11 receptions tied the seventh most in school history for a single game. He has now posted at least five catches in four of five games this season. Merritt also recorded his first career TD reception.
- Arkansas State produced over 300 yards total offense for the 17th game in a row and has hit the mark in 51 of 56 contests under head coach Blake Anderson.
- The Red Wolves recorded at least 400 yards total offense for the third time in five games this season and has reached the mark in 36 of 56 games under head coach Blake Anderson.
- Arkansas State's fourth-quarter scoring drive that tied the game at 21-21 took 16 plays and 5:36 – both the most of the season among the Red Wolves' scoring drives.

### DEFENSE

- Junior DL **Javier Carbonell** made his first start of the season and fourth of his career.
- A-State held its third straight opponent (Tulsa, UNLV, Georgia Southern) to seven first-half points.
- Over the last six quarters, A-State has allowed just 84 passing yards.
- Senior DE **Ronheen Bingham** recorded his third sack of the season, tying Forrest Merrill for the most on the team and giving him eight for his career.
- Arkansas State has recorded at least one sack in 29 consecutive games.
- Junior DB **Darreon Jackson** reached 100 tackles for his career.

### SPECIAL TEAMS

- Redshirt freshman **Blake Grupe** tied his career high for field goals made in a game with two, including a career-long from 45 yards out. He has now connected on 4-of-5 attempts on the season.
- With two tonight, junior Cody Grace has placed at least one punt inside the opponent's 20-yard line every game of his career (16) and multiple in all but three.